

(NSSO). Last such survey for which results are available relates to 2004-05. Unemployment rate on usual status basis has been estimated at 2.3 per cent of the labour force during 2004-05.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Sector-wise distribution of usually employed persons for males & females in rural & urban areas of the country during the last two quinquennial surveys on usual status basis is given in the enclosed Statement.

Statement

Sector-wise distribution of usually employed persons for males and females in the rural and urban areas of the country during 1999-2000 and 2004-05.

Industry	1999-2000				2004-2005			
	Rural		Urban		Rural		Urban	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Agriculture	71.4	85.4	6.6	17.7	66.5	83.3	6.1	18.1
Mining & Quarrying	0.6	0.3	0.9	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.9	0.2
Manufacturing	7.3	7.6	22.4	24.0	7.9	8.4	23.5	28.2
Electricity, gas & water supply	0.2	—	0.8	0.2	0.2	0.00	0.8	0.2
Construction	4.5	1.1	8.7	4.8	6.8	1.5	9.2	3.8
Trade	6.8	2.0	29.4	16.9	8.3	2.5	28.0	12.2
Transport, Storage & Communication	3.2	0.1	10.4	1.8	3.8	0.2	10.7	1.4
Others	6.1	3.7	21.0	34.2	5.9	3.9	20.8	35.9
TOTAL:	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

Note:—Total may not tally due to rounding.

Non-application of labour laws in SEZs

†833. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that labour laws would not be applied to Special Economic Zones to be set up in the country;

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(b) whether the Ministry have discussed this matter with Central Labour Organizations; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Dwelling units for beedi workers

†834. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of dwelling units for beedi workers sanctioned so far under the beedi Shramik Awas Yojana in Chhattisgarh, particularly in Dongargarh;

(b) the number of such dwelling units for which funds have been allocated by Government so far;

(c) by when funds would be made available for remaining dwelling units meant for said beedi workers; and

(d) the reasons for the delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) to (d) There is no scheme in the name of Shramik Awas Yojana being implemented by the Central Government. However, 300 houses for beedi workers were sanctioned in Dongargarh district in Chhattisgarh during 2001-02 under the erstwhile Integrated Housing Scheme.

A subsidy of Rs. 40,000/- per worker per tenement is granted under the Revised Integrated Housing Scheme (RIHS) 2005. Funds are released as and when proposals, complete in all respects, are received from the concerned States and also subject to availability of funds. No proposal has since been received from the Chhattisgarh State.

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